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1. The Bazakerettye oil field was located in the area between Nagykanizsa and Zalamegeraszeg and extended to the southern border of Hungary. The area was approximately 400 square kilometers in size. The best oil came from wells in the Bazakerettye area. At Lovaszai, 18 kms south of Bazakerettye, oil extracted from the wells was so pure that it was put to use in Diesel tractors without any further processing.
2. In April 1949, there were 138 oil wells in the Bazakerettye area of which 116 were in operation. In and around Lovaszai, 28 of 32 wells were in operation. The oil was extracted by gas pressure (natural) and by pumps. Approximately 24 of the Bazakerettye wells were equipped with pumps. The depth of the wells ranged from 2000 meters (the deepest) to 200 meters.
3. Most of the wells were drilled with rigs driven by Diesel Motors. Steam engines, oil fired, were also employed in drilling operations. A gas-line fueled generator produced the required electricity for the oil field.
4. Oil storage tank farms were located within a five kilometer radius of Bazakerettye in Lispe, Bana /sic/, Budafa, Kamahaza, and Kiscsehi. /See Enclosure, sketch of Bazakerettye/ The tanks were filled by electric pumps. The Bazakerettye fuel depot had a pumping station that pumped crude oil to Budapest by pipe lines.
5. The fuel depot at Bazakerettye had facilities to handle approximately 20 million gallons of oil annually. The smaller fuel depots in the vicinity had capacities of 500 thousand to 600 thousand gallons of oil each.
6. When a well in the area was exhausted, Diesel tractors, equipped with trailers, would haul all of the rigging to a new oil field.

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ENCLOSURE A: Sketch of Bazakerettye & Vicinity

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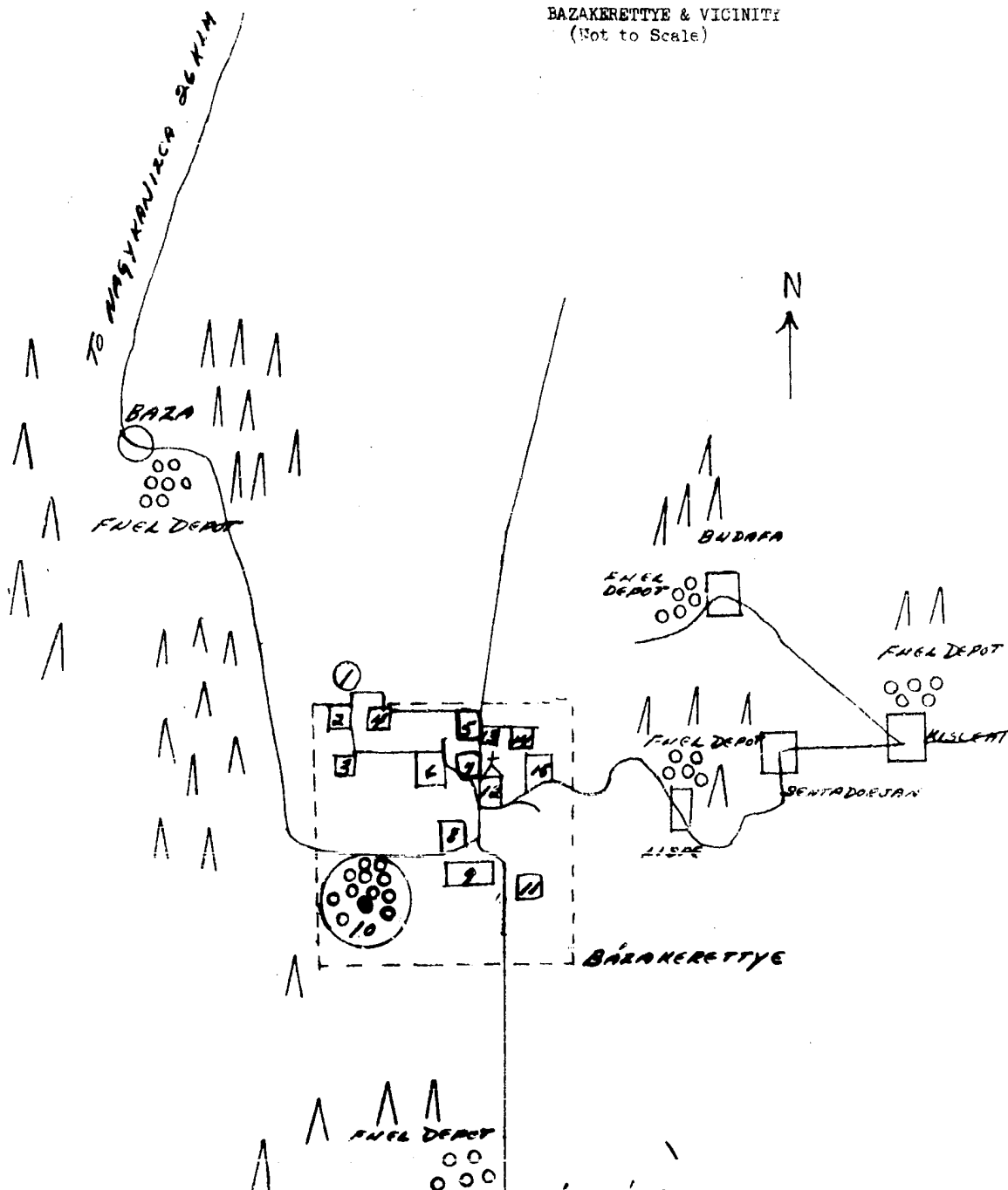
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